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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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1. THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE SOME REACTION TO RECENT REPORTING:

A. THE PRESS SUMMARY IS CARRYING SOME HEAVY FREIGHT NOW. FOR EXAMPLE, MOSCOW 10776 CAUGHT TWO INTERESTING ARTICLES WHICH WE WERE UNAWARE OF HERE (BOVIN'S IZVESTIYA ARTICLE ON COMMUNISTS IN EUROPE, AND KRASNAYA ZVEDA ON IMPORTANCE OF THE TANK). THE BOVIN ARTICLE WAS CARRIED FULL TEXT IN THE FBIS BOOK. I NOTE THAT WE ARE GETTING FEWER SEPTELS O; PRESS REPORTING, AND HOPE THIS EASES THE BURDEN ON THE BOYS.

B. WE ALSO APPRECIATED THE EMBASSY'S COVERAGE (10967) OF THE JULY 11 PRAVDA ARTICLE ON CIVIL DEFENSE--THE FIRST SOVIET REACTION TO AN ISSUE THAT HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY CONTENTIOUS HERE.

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C. WE ALSO THOUGHT THE EMBASSY'S REPORTING ON THE SOVIET

AFRO-ASIAN COMMITTEE'S JULY 9 DECLARATION ON LEBANON (;OSCOW 10974) HANDLED THE MATERIAL IN A USEFUL WAY--ALL ANAL;SIS AND NO TEXT. WE DID INDEED HAVE TEXT.

- D. AND MOSCOW'S 10976 ON LATIN AMERICA MADE GOOD USE OF LOCAL SOURCES AS A REPORTING PEG.
- 2. RE MOSCOW 10711, WE WERE ABOUT TO GET OUT A SIMPLE REPLY TURNING DOWN THE REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT FOR ZA RUBEZHOM, BUT HAVE RUN INTO PROBLEMS AND HAVE TO STAFF IT OUT FURTHER. WE WILL BE WORKING ON THIS, BUT MAY NOT ,E ABLE TO GET YOU A RESPONSE BY THE JULY 17-20 DEADLINE. DO YOU KNOW HOW THE OTHERS WHO WERE INVITED PLAN TO REPLY?
- 3. REGARDING VALENTYN MOROZ, WE HAD TELEPHONE CALL FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY ON JULY 13, RECONFIRMING PREVIOUS I; VITATION TO MOROZ FROM DR. HENRY ROSOWSKI, DEAN OF FACULTY. DR. ROSOWSKI IS PREPARED TO ISSUE ANY NEW LETTER OR CERTIFICATE OF INVITATION THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO MOROZ. AS EMBASSY ALREADY KNOWS, ACTUAL TEACHING POSITION FOR MOROZ WOULD BE MADE WITHIN THE UKRAINIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE AT HARVARD. WE UNDERSTAND THIS LATEST INDICATION OF HARVARD'S INTEREST STEMS FROM RUMORS CIRCULATING IN HARVARD/MIT CIRCLES THAT MOROZ MAY ,E RELEASED FROM USSR SOON.
- 4. SEPTEL ABOUT TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL RAISES INTERESTING QUESTIONS ABOUT LINKAGE WITH JOINT COMMERICAL COMMISSION. WE WILL TRY TO CHECK IT OUT FURTHER HERE. MEANWHILE YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT QUESTION OF RESCHEDULING JCC AND OTHER POSTPONED MEETINGS, AS WELL AS SCHEDULING OF OTHER MEETINGS, IS UNDER HIGH LEVEL CONSIDERATION.
- 5. YOU SHOULD BE GETTING CABLE APPROVING VISA FOR KUBASOV. IT WAS A CLOSE CALL, DUE TO NATURE OF INVITING ORGANIZATION. BEREZHKOV WILL BE WITH SAME GROUP, WHICH WILL BE RECEIVED BY ARMITAGE AND/OR ME JULY 19, AND WE CAN MAKE FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS THEN. SOL WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE; HE IS GETTING READY TO LEAVE FOR BERLIN. KISSINGER

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